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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Boston

DATE: 1/15/63

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

BST-4

A source abroad has advised that the subject who was born 3/1/28 at Pretoria, South Africa, may be in the United States at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) as either a student or teacher.

The source has advised that subject has come to notice in circumstances suggesting that he entertained Trotskyist sympathies.

You should discreetly determine if subject is at MIT and, if so, determine his present address and inquire of appropriate security informants to determine if he is engaged in subversive activities in your area.

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Date MAY 7 1963

RE:
DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT
SM - SWP

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Director, FBI 5/28/63

Legat, London (100-3093) (RUC)

DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT
SM - SWP

Remylet to Bureau 4/24/63.

On 5/27/63 the American Embassy Visa Section, London, advised that subject is presently residing in Geneva, Switzerland, and hopes to obtain his visa to the U.S. at Zurich, Switzerland, which, according to the Visa Section, is the American Consulate in Switzerland where immigrant visas are issued for Geneva residents. [redacted], Visa Officer, advised it is not known whether subject will be issued a visa but that all information available in London is being transferred to Zurich. b6 b7C

Enclosed for Legat, Bern is [redacted] b7D It is suggested Legat, Bern, may wish to follow this matter with Zurich and advise the Bureau if and when subject receives a visa.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

July 3, 1963

DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT

During 1963 T-1, a branch of a U. S. government agency with offices abroad, furnished the following information:

Dr. SEYMOUR PAPERT is at present living in Geneva, Switzerland, where his address is Université de Genève, Institut des Sciences de l'Éducation, Palais Wilson, Geneve. Petition for a first preference immigration visa for Dr. PAPERT was filed by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and approved by the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Boston, Massachusetts, on July 5, 1962. This petition is valid until July 5, 1963, unless renewed.

T-2, a branch of a U. S. government agency with offices abroad, reported that T-4, another branch of a U. S. government agency with offices abroad, had furnished the following information:

T-3 reported on September 23, 1961, that S. A. PAPERT is a suspected communist and was a member of the Progressive Forum. Since 1955 he has not come adversely to notice.

T-4 was unable to find any information on the Progressive Forum of which PAPERT was alleged to be a member by T-3. This organization may, however, be identical with the Federation of Progressive Students, of which Dr. PAPERT, at the time of his application for a visa, claimed to have been a member for a brief period.

T-3 is a confidential source abroad.

"This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency."

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Director, FBI 7/3/63

Legat, Bern (100-672) (RUC)

DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT 62-42307X
SM - SWP

Re London letter to the Bureau dated 5/28/63.

Enclosed are six copies of a letterhead memorandum dated 7/3/63 setting out information received by Legat, Bern, on 6/20/63.

T-1 is the American Consulate General, Zurich, Switzerland.

T-2 is the American Embassy, London, England.

T-3 [redacted] b7D

T-4 is the American Embassy, Pretoria, Republic of South Africa.

The memorandum has been classified ~~Confidential~~ as the original information was so classified.

The Consulate General, Zurich, has been alerted to furnish any further developments in this matter. After receipt of his file by the Consulate General, PAPERT was contacted by that office to ascertained if he wanted to pursue his application for a visa.

This case is being RUC'd subject to being reopened on receipt of additional information.

3 - Bureau (Encl. 6)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

150 Tremont St., Boston, Massachusetts

NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF VISA PETITION

DATE: July 29, 1963
FILE: A 12 723 254

Dr. Malcolm Rigsert
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
77 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge 39, Massachusetts

Dear Dr. Rigsert:

This refers to the visa petition filed by you in behalf of Seymour A. PAPERT
Please note the items checked below.

☒ The petition has been REVALIDATED approved and forwarded to the United States Consulate at which the beneficiary or beneficiaries will apply for a visa. Any inquiry concerning the issuance of a visa should be directed to the Consulate at BERNE, SWITZERLAND

☐ It is indicated that the beneficiary does not require a visa to enter the United States. Notice of approval of the petition has been forwarded to the intended United States port of entry. Please notify this office immediately of any change in the intended port of entry.

☐ If you become naturalized as a citizen of the United States and an immigrant visa has not yet been issued to the beneficiary, notify this office immediately, giving the date of your naturalization. This information may expedite the issuance of a visa to the beneficiary. If the petition was in behalf of your son or daughter, also advise whether that person is still unmarried.

☐ The petition is approved. No notice to a United States Consulate or port of entry is required.

☐ Approval of petitions to import nonimmigrant aliens covers only the employment or training specified in your petition. Acceptance of employment or training not specified in the petition is a violation of the beneficiary's nonimmigrant status. The beneficiary(ies) named in your petition is (are) authorized to remain in the United States for a period of _____ months.

Date petition filed: June 20, 1962
Date on which approval expires: July 5, 1964—REVALIDATION
Classification: Section 203 (a) (1)(A) of the I & N Act.

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Very truly yours,

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